



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **YAMAGUCHI, Shotaro**

Group Art Unit: **1652**

Serial No.: **10/815,774**

Examiner: **RAO, Manjunath N.**

Filed: **April 2, 2004**

**FOR: NOVEL PROTEIN-DEAMIDATING ENZYME, MICROORGANISM  
PRODUCING THE SAME, GENE ENCODING THE SAME, PRODUCTION  
PROCESS THEREFOR, AND USE THEREOF**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 26, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **October 24, 2006**, extended to **March 24, 2007**, with **March 24 and 25** being a **Saturday and a Sunday**, respectively, by two month  
Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: